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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

W. C Elam. editor of the Norfolk *Virginian Pilot*, died yesterday. —— In the Senate yesterday Tillman, of South Carolina, made a stinging attack on Morgan, of Alabama, for alleged lack of courtesy in debate. —— A cessation of the plague in Honolulu is reported. —— British advices report no change in the situation at Praadeberg, where Roberts has corralled the Boers under Cronje. —— Private advices in Berlin say Cronje has forced his way through the British lines. —— Boers report continuous fighting, and all attacks of the British repulsed. —— From Natal, the Boers report repulse of the British on the Tugela. —— Rumored that the Free State and Transvaal forces have effected a junction and entrenched near Praadeberg. —— The current of German feeling is gradually changing in favor of Great Britain in the South Africa question. —— The President has selected four of the five members of the Philippine commission. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent; cotton quiet, middling uplands 9 3 16c; flour dull and weaker; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 76½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 42½c; oats—spot dull, No. 2 29c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1 75; spirits turpentine quiet at 55½@56c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 24.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 48 degrees; 8 P. M., 58 degrees: maximum, 62 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees; mean, 52 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .14; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.64 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 23 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—For North Carolina: Cold wave and fair weather Sunday; high but diminishing northwesterly winds. Monday fair, with rising temperature.

Port Almanac---Feb. 25.

Sun Rises	6.39 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.49 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H.10 M.
High Water at Southport.	4.15 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	6.45 P. M.

The latest suggested tail to the McKinley kite, is Gen. Fred Grant. They want to utilize the latter part of his name.

The Montana politicians have found the family physician a good go-between when they want to "do" the head of the family.

Chicago had 252,000,000 eggs a few days ago, and her newspapers were cackling over it as loudly as if they laid them all themselves.

The New York *Sun* publishes an editorial headed "The Mule Vindicated." The mule needs no vindication by the *Sun*. He is abundantly able to take care of himself.

A Government geologist says while he was boating in the Philippine waters his boat one day ran over a stretch of water in which there were 50,000,000 snakes of varied hues. The brand of booze he imbided is not given.

Lesley E. Keeley, the inventor of the gold cure for the liquor habit, died a few days ago at his home in Los Angeles, Cal., to which city he had moved from Dwight, Ill. He left an estate worth about $1,000,000, made out of the cure.

The Washington *Star* paragrapher, who seems to have been wrestling with the question, has discovered that the principal difference between Massachusetts and Kentucky is that the former produces boots and shoes, while the latter produces shoots and booze.

In his message to Congress President McKinley said that "our plain duty is to abolish all customs duties between the United States and Porto Rico." His friends in Congress do not seemed disposed to do their "duty" but insist upon levying duties on stuff coming from Porto Rico.

Mexico is coming to the front as a progressive country. For some years new enterprises have been numerous and railroad building active. It is now proposed to build an electric railway 409 miles along, at a cost of $14,000,000, to which the federal government will contribute $6,000,000.

President Hill, of the Great Northern Railroad, has given contracts for four steamers to run on the Pacific to Asiatic ports, which will be the largest steamers afloat, 730 feet long, with a freight capacity of 22,000 tons. Two of them are to be completed within eighteen months. He isn't waiting nor asking for any subsidy.

LOCAL DOTS.

— License was issued during the past week for the marriage of three white and three colored couples.

— Cotton was still on the advance yesterday on the Wilmington market Closing quotations were on a basis of 8¼ cents for middling.

— Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., will hold a special convocation of the chapter Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the work in the past master's degree.

— A short cruise on the *Hornet* contemplated by Wilmington Division Naval Reserves had to be abandoned yesterday on account of the rough weather.

— The schooner *Melissa Trask* for Port de Paix, Hayti, was towed by the *Jones* to Southport yesterday afternoon and is awaiting favorable weather to proceed.

— Col. W. J. Woodward, Grand Chancellor Knights of Pythias, is arranging to hold a district meeting in Winston, March 2nd. Elaborate arrangements are being made to entertain the visitors.

— The schooner *Melissa Trask*, Capt. C. H. Cobb, was cleared yesterday for Port de Paix, Hayti, with a cargo of lumber, shingles, lamp oil, brick and four spars, by master. The vessel is by George Harriss, Son & Co

— The British steamship *Cairnross*, 959 tons, has been chartered for Wilmington. She sailed Blyth, January 25th, and arrived February 4th at Matril for Huelva, where she will load with pyrites and proceed to Wilmington.

— The only case in the police court yesterday of more than usual interest was that against Frank James, colored, charged with abducting from her home, Sophie Clees, a colored girl aged 15 years. The evidence was insufficient to convict and the defendant was released.

— From the annual report of the Corporation Commission for the year 1899 it is gleaned that Wilmington has more building and loan associations than any city in the State Eight of these institutions have home offices here. Charlotte is next in order with three; High Point with two; Concord with two and eleven other towns with one each.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

F. T. Mills—Mules.
M. H. Curran—A tip.
Warren's Cafe—Say!
N. F. Parker—Clearance sale.
W. B. Cooper—Announcement.
Opera House—Ward and Vokes.
D. L. Gore Co.—Enterprise soap.
Dingelhoef Bros.—A child's eyes.
H. L. Fennell—Buggies and harness.
Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter.
G. O. Gaylord's Branch Store—Wo! Charlie!

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Good Piano—For sale.
Star Studio—Best photographs.
White Puppy—Strayed or stolen.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. John C. Griffin, of Winston, is in the city.

— Capt. W. H. Williams, of Newton, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. W. H. Britton, of Timberland, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. E. Boney, of Teachy, was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mr. John A. Tate, of Charlotte, is among the guests of The Orton.

— Hon. E. J. Justice, of Marion, registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Col. H. M. Drane, of Armour, was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mr. E. H. Gray, of Shallotte, was among the arrivals in the city last evening.

— Mr. George A. O'Hanlon, of Fayetteville, came down to the city last night.

— Mr. J. B. Mercer has returned from a visit to his old home in Brunswick county.

— Mr. C. Ed. Taylor, editor of the Southport *Standard*, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

— Mr. Fred W. Dick went up to Lumberton yesterday to spend Sunday with his mother, who is unwell.

— Editor Charles L. Stevens, of the Newbern *Journal*, was here yesterday on his way to Southport.

— Capt. F. B. Rice, steamboat hull inspector for the Charleston district, is at home to spend Sunday.

— Mr. L. B. Killough, the popular and hustling representative of B. T. Babbitt, New York, is here calling on the trade.

— Mr. V. S. Stevens, of Southport, passed through the city yesterday en route to Philadelphia, where he will reside in the future.

—Mr. Albert C. Ducker, of Sumter, S. C., one of the popular travelling representatives of F. W. Wagner & Co., Charleston, S. C., is in the city, guest of his brother-in-law, Mr. John J. Fowler,

— Mr. B. F. Hewlett, who is serving on the United States revenue cutter *Lot M. Morrill*, after having spent three weeks here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hewlett, left last night for Milwaukee where the cutter is now stationed.

Capt. Jas. I. Metts.

Has been placed in nomination for the office of County Treasurer, and no better selection can be made. He is too well known to need commendation. He has lived with us all his life and his record as a true man is known of all. 1t †

HOUSE WARMING.

Cape Fear Golf Club Entertained at Its New Club House Yesterday Afternoon.

VERY GOOD CHEER PREVAILED

New Flag Presented by the Ladies—It Was Hoisted Amid Toasts—The Ladies Served Refreshments. Golfers and Their Links

Yesterday marked a new era in the history of the Cape Fear Golf Club, which has had a career of three years and has met with a permanent enthronement at the hands of the devotees of the game in Wilmington.

The STAR recently mentioned that the Fore & Foster Company was erecting a club house for the club, and yesterday afternoon the golfers celebrated its completion by giving a house warming. Neat invitations in red, one of the colors of the club, had been sent out, announcing that it would receive from 3 to 6 P. M. There were lowering clouds and descending rain, but, nothing daunted, the members of the club and their guests, to the number of about a hundred, went out to the links at Hilton Park and made an afternoon of it. Notwithstanding the inclement weather, the lady members graced the occasion with their presence and crowned the event with a success so complete that the club had reason to be proud of its house warming. The trolley cars carried out large numbers of people, and numerous carriages came and went during the hours of the reception. With rain threatening to interfere with the event, it was quite natural that there was a flutter when each carriage appeared on the horizon, rolling towards the links. With the members crowding the cozy reception room there was a cheery and cordial greeting for all comers. The ladies did the honors, and as fast as the folks came a brimming punch bowl, sparkling with "cheer" and dimpled with cherries, yielded up its contents. Sandwiches, tea, coffee, chocolate and relishes were served, and thus the hospitality of the club was dispensed.

When the reception first began, there was a flag raising. A flag with a red field and green lettering, the colors of the club, was run up the pole on top of the house, the halyards being pulled by Mr. John J. Blair, president of the club, who "let her go" with some jolly words while the onlookers toasted the flag as it glided up and gracefully unfurled and fluttered straight out in the breeze. Across the pretty flag were plainly visible the club's initials, "C. F. G. C.," which were embossed thereon by the deft hands of the lady members who made the flag and presented it.

The club house is situated on the southern end of the links, and occupies an elevation right above the tracks of the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line, affording a rather picturesque view, with the moss covered trees fringing the Cape Fear and Smith's Creek, moving trains, curling smoke from neighboring industries, and glimpses of the city in the perspective. From the house there is a sweeping view right out over the links and the hazards that hedge it about.

The building, in its architectural feature, is golfesque. Its dimensions are 20 by 30 feet, exclusive of twenty feet piazzas in front, facing the street railway, and on the north side overlooking the links. The house is covered by a hip roof, and is divided into three rooms—in front being a reception room 20 by 20 feet, with a ladies' dressing room 10 by 10 feet to the rear and separated from it by a door. Opening on the piazza fronting the links is a gentlemen's dressing room 10 by 10 feet. Both dressing rooms are fitted with lavatories and with lockers for the ladies' and gentlemen's suits, clubs, etc.

The house is a frame structure with yellow pine weather-boarding. The reception room represents a Dutch kitchen, and is entered from the front piazza through a Dutch door. On the sides are Dutch casement windows opening latterally on hinges on the inside. Over the door and windows and around the wall are shelves, and in one corner is a three cornered cupboard for the chafing dish, cutlery, crockery, and *sine qua non* for teas in the afternoons and suppers at night. On a wall shelf there are beer mugs and brown jugs, and on another there are Powhatan pipes and smoking tobacco wherewith the gentlemen may regale themselves. Around the room are couches and rustic divans, slung carelessly with bandana pillows, while the walls are decorated with poster pictures of golf scenes in golf pink and hunting green. In fact everything in the decorations is in keeping with the club colors. There is excellent ventilation and plenty of daylight, and to make things up to-date there are electric lights and a telephone. The fact is that the club house is artistic and home like, and is rigged in a fashion to give the members a good time.

In rear of the club house there is a row of hitching posts, and to one side of the main entrance there is a corral for the cadies. The cadies are little darkies, and yesterday afternoon had the man-in-the-moon awaked on the links and seen the pickaninnies with the cadie bags and the clubs, he wouldn't have been bothered with guessing that it was a golf club house in Dixie. On the links, the little black cadies follow up the golfers, and they know the game and are intensely interested. The STAR was informed that it is the intention to have taken a photograph of the club house with the members in front and the pickaninny cadies in their corral, so a cut of it can be printed in the *Golf Magazine*. Photographs of the first tee grounds, and of the general links are also to be made.

The club's links have been greatly improved, and they are now a credit to Wilmington. It is a nine hole course, 2,500 yards, or about a mile and a third, around. The special club days are Wednesday and Saturday afternoons when the members may be seen playing on the links. The lady members are as enthusiastic as the gentlemen, and yesterday afternoon in wind and rain they played right along. Some of them are good players, too. It was a "mix up" lot of games yesternay, but usually there are individual, twosomes, foursomes and mixed contests. After Lent the club will have a tournament open to all members of the Cape Fear Golf Club or members of other clubs in this and adjoining States. The prizes will be silver golf cups. It is proposed to make the tournament a notable event. It is the intention of the club to join the Southern Golf Association, and probably at some day to have an inter-State tournament.

The officers of the club are now as follows: Mr. John J. Blair, president; Miss Mary Calder, secretary, and Mr. W. A. Riach, treasurer. There are about sixty members, and now that the club has a house in which to entertain visitors and make themselves comfortable, it is expected that the club will greatly increase in membership. The lady members of the club have decided to each give teas to the members on Saturday afternoons at the club house, so that henceforth the golf club will largely figure in the social life of the city. Surely the club is to be congratulated upon its house, and the STAR is sure it voices the sentiment of the members when it commends the taste and skill displayed by the committee of lady members who furnished and decorated the house, viz: Mrs. T. M. Emerson, chairman, Mrs. Don MacRae, Mrs. Hugh MacRae, Mrs. T. H. Symington, Mrs. George Rountree, Mrs. C. W. Bidgood, Miss Miss Mary Calder and Miss Alice Boatwright.

The people of Wilmington ought to manifest much interest in the golf club, for it is one of the evidences of up-to-dateness. No city is considered in it, from a metropolital standpoint, unless it has one or more golf links. Few, perhaps, are aware that links are now considered as an indispensable feature in a city's attractions, and that northern tourists will not go to cities where there are no links. The STAR can state as a fact that tourists writing for hotel rates to a sister Southern city recently, pointedly added that if there were no golf links there it were needless to reply. So it can be seen that the Cape Fear Golf Club is a very necessary and much to be desired institution for Wilmington.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST.

Inquired Into Circumstances of Killing of Young Joe Hodges—Funeral Will Be Held To-day.

A coroner's inquest to examine into the facts and circumstances of the killing of young Joe Hodges, pressman at the *Dispatch* office, whose tragic death was noted in yesterday's STAR, was held yesterday morning at the Court House.

Dr. W. W. Lane was sworn in by Dr. R. J. Price as chairman and the other jurors were Messrs. R. W. Haywood, E. G. Yopp, James Warwick, B. H. Atkinson, and J. M. Hall. The only witnesses examined were Mr. J. E. Lewis, foreman of the news composing room, and J. M. Judge, a printer, who stopped the press after the accident. The evidence was substantially the same as printed in the STAR yesterday and the following verdict was accordingly rendered:

That the deceased came to his death from a blow on the head delivered by some of the machinery of a printing press while he was working under the same. We believe this to have been due to lack of precaution on his own part in failing to shut off the electric current.

We further believe, from the evidence submitted, that the accident could not have been due to the interference of any other person.

The funeral services over the remains of the unfortunate young man will take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the residence of his aunt, Mrs. Hayes, No. 613 South Second street. Rev. John H. Hall, pastor of Fifth Street M. E. Church, will conduct the services and the interment will take place in Oakdale cemetery.

Mrs. Chas. Potter, a sister of the deceased, living in Washington, D. C., telegraphed yesterday that she could not come in time for the funeral. His father could not be reached by a telegram.

Stedman For Sheriff.

In looking over the list of candidates for Sheriff do not forget that Frank Stedman is the man who, in 1890, seized the Democratic banner, which had been trailing in the dust for 25 years, and carried it to Victory. In that memorable campaign he was the man who had the grit to accept the nomination, and attack the entrenched position of the enemy, carrying it by storm, and thus establishing Democratic rule in New Hanover county. What else did he do? He spent his money freely for the whole Democratic ticket and when it was found that our candidate for County Treasurer had been defeated by a few votes, he appointed him Special Deputy, with a salary almost equal (net) to that of the Treasurer.

Frank Stedman can stand the Jeffersonian test—"Is he honest? Is he capable?" This was demonstrated practically when he held the position for which he is now the Peoples Candidate. 1t †

WILMINGTON STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

Enjoys Largest Passenger Traffic of Any System in the State—Statistics by Corporation Commission.

An insight to any city's industrial and commercial importance, it is said, may be gained by an examination into statistics of patronage accorded by the public to its street railway system. If this be a criterion—and it must be admitted that it is in a large measure—then Wilmington leads her sister cities in the State in this respect. According to the annual report of the Corporation Commission for the year ending December 31st, 1899, copies of which were received in the city yesterday, the Wilmington street railway for the fiscal year ended June 30th, last, handled 725,878 passengers, which is well in advance of the yearly traffic of any other street railway company in North Carolina, though several of them have a larger mileage of track and other seeming advantages. The Asheville railway company comes next, with a traffic of 682,252, and Charlotte for the same period handled 615,826 passengers.

The detailed report of the volume of business done by the several street railway companies in the State, as given by the Commission is as follows:

Asheville and Biltmore Street Railway and Transportation Company—Total mileage 3½; passengers carried during the year 234,518; passengers per mile of track operated, 78,166.

Asheville Street Railway Company—Total mileage 6½; passengers, 682,253; passengers per mile of track operated, 104,962.

Charlotte Electric Railway, Light and Power Company—Total mileage, 4 55; passengers, 615,826; passengers per mile of track operated 123,165.

Pinehurst Electric Railway Company—Total mileage 8½; passengers, 7,333; passengers per mile of track operated, 1,106.

Raleigh Electric Company—Total mileage, 4½; passengers (estimated) 527 935 (plant operated at loss).

Wilmington Electric Street Railway Company.—Total mileage, 4½; passengers, 725 878.

Winston-Salem Railway and Electric Company—Total mileage, 5 97; passengers 331,106; passengers per mile of track operated 55.742.

During the six months ended January 1st, 1900, the Wilmington Street Railway Company handled 489,186 passengers, an increase of about twenty per cent. over a corresponding period last year, which with the increased traffic in the Spring and early Summer will bring the figures of the next fiscal year far in advance of those for the year ending June 30th, 1899.

In this connection it is only fair and just to say that the enormous traffic of the Wilmington Street Railway Company is not alone attributable to favorable conditions for a big business in Wilmington. The admirable way in which the interests of the travelling public and those of the company are protected by General Manager A. B. Skelding, has much to do with the very liberal patronage accorded the system. Prompt and efficient schedules; extra cars for extra occasions; polite attention by employes and a host of other little things have all contributed to make the Wilmington Street Railway the best and most successful institution of its kind in the entire State.

A Severe Accident.

Mr. Solomon Godwin, one of the operatives at Capt. Preston Cumming's saw mill at foot of Dock street, sustained the painful injury of having the thumb and forefinger severed from his right hand by contact with a rip saw at which he was working yesterday morning. There were also gashes between the fingers and in the palm of the same hand. He had just cut a piece of timber and allowed his hands to slip on the boards through which the saw was running to a point beyond and in drawing his hands back, the right hand caught in the saw with the resulta stated. He was taken to the office of Dr. D. W. Bullock where his wounds were dressed. Mr. Anderson Hewlett then took him to his home on Third and Wooster streets.

Meeting of Sunday School Workers.

There will be a conference of the pastors, superintendents, assistant superintendents, officers and teachers of the denominational Sunday Schools of the city in the Young Men's Christian Association auditorium on Friday, March 9th, at 8 o'clock in the evening. There will be speaking upon interesting topics by well known Sunday School workers, and an excellent musical programme will be rendered.

It is desired and expected that all of the Sunday Schools of the city will be represented. The pastors and superintendents of the different churches have been requested to announce the call of the meeting to their congregations and Sunday Schools to-day. The programme will be announced later.

Pianoforte Recital.

The pupils of Miss Cannie Chasten gave their Saturday afternoon recital at 4.30 P. M., and it was quite a success. The following was the programme:

Prelude and Fugue in C minor, (Bach)—Mr. James C. Craft.

Carnival, (Schmoll)—Miss Lucy Baldwin.

Mazurka, (Weber)—Miss Katie Fick, pupil of Miss Marcella Shrier.

Allegretto, (Schmoll)—Miss Sue Boon.

Second Mazurka, (Godard)—Miss Lucy McEachern.

He Will Make A Good One.

That is the kind of Sheriff the friends of Mr. John H. Davis expect him to make. He has the qualifications necessary, and will command the support, as he already does the respect and good will of the people. 1t †

THE FLOOR WALKERS.

E. D. Stair Will Present Ward & Vokes' Breezy Comedy Next Thursday Evening at the Opera House

The attraction announced for the Opera House next Thursday evening is said to be unquestionably the best musical farce review before the public. E. D. Stair presents Ward and Vokes in their new breeze, "The Floor Walkers." These reliable comedians have ever been laugh-producers of first quality. This year they come with an outfit as new and bright as morning dew. A new play, scenery which is promised to be the most superb ever accorded this kind of an entertainment, costumes as rich and varied as a New York Casino review, and the largest company ever toured in musical farce. A large chorus of young ladies and a staff of principals comprising such favorites as Lucy Daly, Margaret Daly Vokes, Hattie Bernard, The Chicago Ladies Quartette, Will West, George Sidney and John W. Early. As a singing organization it is promised that Ward and Vokes have eclipsed all previous efforts along this line, the chorus being large and carefully selected by Mr. Herbert Dillea. As Frank Daniels, Henry Dixon Francis Wilson and DeWolf Hopper have risen from the ranks of the vaudeville theater of the past, so have Ward and Vokes risen until to-day they present the representative organization in their line of theatricals before the public. The entertainment is in two parts, the first representing a charity Bazaar under the patronage of Mrs. Waldorf Castoria for the purpose of raising funds with which to build a home for destitute millionaires The second part shows a "Ladies Night" reception at the "Millionaires' Club," and here it is promised the costuming is second to nothing ever seen on any stage, in any manner of theatrical production. The sale of seats begins Tuesday morning. Entire lower floor $1; balcony $1, 75c, 50c.

ON NORTH CAROLINA COAST.

Wreckage from a Vessel Supposed to Have Gone Down With All on Board.

[*Special to Richmond Dispatch*]

NORFOLK, VA., February 23.—Wreckage coming ashore to day on the North Carolina coast appears to show that there has been a disaster off shore recently. All aboard the vessel probably went down with her. There was a fifty-mile gale along the coast on Tuesday and a stiff storm last Saturday. The wreck is believed to have occurred during Saturday's storm. Reports from Ocracoke, near Hatteras, state that a large piece of what is believed to be the deck of a 400 ton schooner came ashore and fouled the cable of the British steamer Ariosto, stranded there. Marine men fear that a schooner, of which they know the name, is lost. They will not tell her name, fearing to cause needless alarm to the friends of those aboard this particular vessel. The identity of the wrecked vessel may not be known for several days, probably never.

Seabright Proceeded.

The steamer *Seabright*, Capt. W. A. Sanders, after repairing damage recently sustained during her experience with rough seas from Little River, S. C., proceeded yesterday on her regular schedule. It is but fair to the sturdy little steamer to say that she got into Southport under her own steam even after her terrible struggle with wind and wave. The *Jones* accompanied her from off Caswell, but it was only as a matter of precaution and not from necessity.

The American Girl.

A thoroughly first class, bright, clean and wholesome comedy drama, "The American Girl," introducing the comedian, Mr. Geo. F. Hall, which plays at the Opera House next Saturday, matinee and night, is said by press and public alike to be a great play. Its only appearance here will be on the above date when the usual capacity business is expected.

The Darktown Minstrels.

The STAR is informed that the theatrical enterprise in which Mr. John W. Blomme has entered will not interfere with his management of the Darktown Minstrels of this city. He says the Minstrels will commence rehearsals next week for a series of performances.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.

COMPANIONS.—There will be a Special Convocation of the Chapter Monday evening at 8 o'clock, for work in the Past Master's Degree. By order of the High Priest.
feb 25 1t W. A. MARTIN, Secretary.

A SKILLED TRIO.

Call at No. 7 South Front street, where you will find E. W. Guion, Cornelius Davis and Henry Harris three of the most accomplished Barbers in the city. Send your children to us to have their hair cut. Shave only 10 cents. Boys' haircut 20 cents.
oct 17 tf GUION & DAVIS

MY! MY! MY!

What was it my wife told me to order from

"The Unlucky Corner?" Oh Yes, I Remember.

ONE can of those delicious Jellied Hocks.
ONE pound of Jumbo Prunes.
ONE Springfield Ham.
ONE can Mountain Rose Pears.
ONE pound extra thin Chipped Beef.
"Tell Dan to chip it."
ONE pound Grenoble Walnuts.

Exchange call

S. W. SANDERS,
feb 20 tf **No. 109—quick.**

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CLEARANCE SALE!

In order to make room for Summer Furnishings I will sell a few Suits, Sideboards, Book and China Cases, Ladi s' Desks, Toilet Tables and Hall Trees at actual present

Factory Cost!

It is of no use to say I will meet all competitors' prices simply because I have EXCLUSIVE sale of the best goods made in America, and you can buy none like them elsewhere.

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Seen one of the Peace Makers?
NO! WHAT'S THAT?
Well, go to Warren's Cafe and get one.

Warren's Steam Bakery and Cafe,
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WARD and VOKES As The FLOOR WALKERS.

40 People 40

The largest, the most expensively dressed and richly staged production of Musical Farce Comedy in the history of theatricals.
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ENTERPRISE SOAP.

50 Boxes Enterprise Soap.
One pair Family Scales free with every box.
25 Boxes Towel Soap.
One Towel free with every 50 cake.
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400 Cases Lye at factory prices.
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50 Bbls N. O. Kettle Rend. Molasses.
50 Bbls Nice Dew Drop Syrup.
ALSO. ONE CAR-LOAD OF SEED POTATOES.
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I Have To-day:

Fancy Malaga Grapes,
Fancy Baldwin Apples,
Fancy Bananas, Sweet Florida Oranges.

Home-made Candy 15c lb. And also Hot Peanuts 7c qt.

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1000 Bags 125 Pound Salt.
1400 Bags 180 Pound Salt.
1120 Bags 200 Pound Salt.
118 Barrels Pocket Salt.
175 Bags 100 Pound Table Salt.
100 Bags 124 Pound Table Salt.
100 Bags Dried Apples.
51 Boxes Dried Peaches.
240 Boxes R. P. Snuff.
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Is good enough for some merchants, but it doesn't suit us at all. We believe in new methods, new goods, new bargains, new everything. It used to be the fashion to advertise goods "below cost." We never do that, because it is absurd; but we do sell mighty close to cost, both at

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100 Nice Towels with each box.....

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will be in Tuesday night. One pair of heavy Draught Horses, all kinds of cheap Farm Horses, and they will get a salting; so come right on and get one. If you don't want a Horse or Mule buy a nice Wren Buggy, Road Cart or set of Harness. Your price is mine.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 25.

AMAZING CHEEK.

The fact that Representative Grosvenor, of Ohio, stands very close to Mr. McKinley, so close as to be regarded as the House mouthpiece of the Administration, gives his words more than ordinary importance. In the debate on the Porto Rico bill, last Thursday, the press dispatches report him thus:

"Mr. Grosvenor, in opening, said that any political party or individual who took part in ratifying and supporting the treaty with Spain was estopped from opposing any of the legitimate effects of that treaty. When that treaty hung in the balance a certain Nebraska colonel left his regiment and came to Washington to aid in securing ratification, and he did influence votes at a critical juncture. So that, Mr. Grosvenor said, if there was one man in the country who should shoulder responsibility for the treaty and its succeeding responsibilities, that man was W. J. Bryan of Nebraska."

As a specimen of amazing cheek, of superlative audacity, it would be hard to find even in the speeches Republican statesmen, who are famous for their reckless audacity of utterance, the equal of this. We do not know which to admire the most, the shameless abandonment of decency, or the marvellous effrontery of the man who in the face of the record thus takes advantage of the shameful breach of faith which secured the votes necessary to the ratification of that treaty, which votes he now declares estop the men who cast them, and those who agreed with them, from finding fault with or protesting against the supplemental proceedings.

No man knows better than Gen. Grosvenor that pledges were given to the opponents of ratification that if the treaty was ratified at once we would have peace, and that this was all that stood in the way of closing up the war with Spain and having peace in the Philippines, and they were further given to understand that there was no intention upon the part of the Administration to wage war on the Filipinos to establish the claim to the Philippines growing out of the "purchase" from Spain. The opponents of the treaty were given to understand that, and that is why they yielded in their opposition and voted to ratify the treaty. When this pledge was given the probabilities are that Mr. McKinley intended to keep it, for he was nervous and fearful that if the treaty was not ratified hostilities might be prolonged with Spain, and that we might possibly become involved with Germany or some other nation for which there would be no excuse after this country and Spain had come to an agreement and that agreement had been ratified by the proper authorities of both countries. Mr. McKinley's wish was complied with and his fears allayed when the opponents of the treaty yielded to the pleadings and pledges and voted to ratify it. It was not until after that treaty was ratified that Mr. McKinley conceived the idea of going into the landgrabbing business on the large scale since entered upon.

He instructed Admiral Dewey to procure and forward to him all the information obtainable as to the value of the islands, their products —minerals and other kinds—their harbors, etc., and when he got this he concluded that the Philippines were worth grabbing and holding on to, and the game of grab was decided upon.

General Grosvenor knows all this and yet he has the amazing cheek to stand in his place in the House of Representatives and tell the men who with pledges voted for the ratification of that treaty that they are estopped from entering any protest against this bald-face breach of faith, followed up by this monstrous piece of national grand larceny, and he has the lack of decency to sneer at the "Nebraska Colonel" (Wm. J. Bryan) because he, apparently placing some confidence in the honesty and honor of the friends of the administration, counselled the ratification of the treaty, with the understanding that such ratification would not commit those so voting to any expansion policy, if such should be adopted.

There were Senators who doubted the good faith and honor of the advocates of the treaty, and these Senators demanded that before it was ratified they should pass a resolution declaring that it was not the purpose of this Government to annext these islands but to treat them the same as Cuba had been and would be treated, but they were told that agreement could not be reached on such a resolution without delay and it was exceedingly important that the treaty be ratified with as little delay as possible, but that such a resolution could be passed after the ratification. A resolution was afterwards passed, but it was so phrased that it left the settlement of that whole question with the United States and with the party which now has the majority in both Houses of Congress and can, therefore, control public policies to suit those who run the party.

Gen. Grosvenor knows, Mr. McKinley knows and every other leader in their party knows that if they had shown their hand then as they are showing it now, or if they dared to talk then as Gen. Grosvenor talked in the speech from which the above extract is taken they never could have had that treaty ratified, and yet he has the unblushing effrontery to upbraid and rebuke men who, on the strength of pledges made, voted for the ratification for protesting against the violation of the pledges, and against the monstrous policy of expansion by force and blood, for which this treaty, so ratified, is put forward as the justification. As well might a thief who by false pretence secured possession of the keys and robbed a house claim immunity from punishment, claim that the man who let him have the keys had no right to complain. The Republicans who desired the ratification of the treaty and by false representations secured its ratification are no more exempt from criticism for the course since adopted than the thief should be exempt from punishment. They have no more right to take advantage of their perfidy than he has of his false pretence that gave him the keys to the robbed house.

HERE IS CONSISTENCY.

In his message to Congress President McKinley said it was our "plain duty" to make trade free between the United States and Porto Rico. There is a bill now before Congress to make imports from Porto Rico dutiable, not to make them free of duty, as recommended by the President. Representative Grosvenor, the President's friend, and his reputed spokesman in the House, is one of the champions of this bill to tax imports from Porto Rico. In his speech Thursday he is thus reported:

"Mr. Grosvenor said he was not the mouthpiece of the President, 'but knowing him reasonably well, speaking as an individual, and knowing all the things involved in the situation here now, I think that nothing would give the President greater sorrow than the defeat of this bill and the turning over of this House to the Democratic minority."

He disclaims being the mouthpiece of the President, but it is well known that when the President has anything to say in the way of letting it be known how he stands on pending measures Mr. Grosvenor is the man who does the talking for him, notwithstanding his assertions to the contrary. Whether in this instance speaking as a mouthpiece or an "individual," Mr. Grosvenor takes the liberty of speaking for the President to the extent of informing his Republican colleagues that "nothing would give the President greater sorrow than the defeat of this bill and the turning over of this House to the Democratic minority."

Here is Presidential consistency for you. The President had said in his message that it was the plain duty of Congress to relieve imports from Porto Rico from tariff taxes, and the Democrats in the House, with few exceptions, and a few Republicans are trying to perform that "duty" in accordance with the recommendation of the President. But instead of co-operating with them for that purpose or commending them for it, he is co-operating with his partisans who ignore his recommendation and his views on "duty" and are doing the very reverse of what he in his message said they ought to do. He now, through his friend Grosvenor, tells his Republican partisans that nothing would give him greater sorrow than that they should co-operate with the Democrats in the House and do their "duty." This is not only glaringly inconsistent but it shows how intensely partisan Mr. McKinley is, how plastic he is in the hands of politicians, and how he flies in the face of his own solemn recommendations when the party machine managers decide upon something else.

All that stuff about turning the House over to to the "Democratic minority" is rot, for the Democratic minority could not defeat that bill without Republican votes, and the defeat of the bill would have no more effect in "turning the House over to the Democratic minority" than it would on the movement of the tides.

A Life And Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost $5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular size 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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McKINLEY WEAKER, BRYAN STRONGER.

The Republican party managers, while claiming that McKinley will be re-elected, admit that it will require work, and incidentally admit that it will require money, and a good deal of it. They concede that Bryan is stronger now than he was four years ago, and this is virtually admitting that McKinley is weaker. There is little doubt of this for McKinley has developed an immense amount of weakness, while his course in some matters has been so grossly inconsistent and contradicting as to be absolutely ridiculous.

In his expansion policy he has permitted himself to be swung 'round here and there, and to be made a mere cat's paw by men who have schemes of their own to work, although he had previously and repeatedly declared in opposition to the policy that would make these schemes possible. In permitting himself to be thus manipulated he has antagonized some of the best brains in his party, men who have been with the party from its birth and leaders in all its contests, on the hustings, in the press and in the legislative halls, such men as ex-Senators Sherman and Boutwell, Senators Hoar and Hale, Carl Schurz and others.

It is folly to say that the utterances and writings of these men have not had an influence on the people who have been following them, and that they do not put a lower estimate upon Mr. McKinley now than they did four years ago, when they believed or professed to believe that he was a statesman of a high order, with a mind of his own and some backbone, in both of which he has since shown himself to be sadly deficient.

He has lost ground in the East by his vacillitating Philippine policy and by his vacillitating treatment of questions pertaining to the Government of our new acquisitions, and he has lost ground in the West by his breach of faith with the Silver Republicans and by the pliancy with which he has yielded to the schemes of the gold standard men, and the men who are working subsidy and other steals. He has simply shown himself clay in the hands of the pollers who worked him into any shape they saw fit. In the estimation of many thousands of men who voted for him, it isn't he but Mark Hanna who is President.

Prof. Summer, of Yale University, inclines to the opinion that "Marriage is a failure," and says that not more than 10 per cent. of the married people looking back on their past lives can honestly say they have realized all the ideals with which they began married life. Perhaps so. But how many bachelors or spinsters have realized all they hoped for? In this respect the married folks have an advantage over the single ones, for they have some one to share their disappointment with them, while the single folks must lug it alone.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Senator Platt's declaration that "we (the Republicans) will make our fight on the line of policy of the present administration" has naturally caused a revival of interest in the inquiry as to what that line is.—*Philadelphia Times, Ind.*

—— The argument of the Porto Rico oppressors is now reduced to this: if we do not make the people pay a tax on everything they buy and sell, which none of the other inhabitants of the Republic have to pay, they will promptly become paupers; and if we do not put an embargo on their trade, they will have no trade at all. These reasoners must be mighty near the line that divides genius from madness.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— Advances in the direction of reciprocity are being made by our diplomatic representatives in Brazil. Reciprocity, it should be remembered, is that sublime invention by which this government offers to remove the tax from imports which even a protectionist can find no excuses for taxing, provided the other government will agree to do the same thing with regard to similar articles. Isn't it a brilliant scheme?—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

—— President Brown, of the Georgia State Agricultural Society, offers Southern cotton farmers the following facts for their reflection. "We have just sold a crop of 9,000,000 bales for more than 11,250,000 bales brought the preceding year and it's more than a 12,000,000-bale crop will bring this year if we make one so big." This is all true, no doubt, but it appears to us that Mr. Brown overlooks one important feature of the matter. The fun of making and ginning and hauling the extra two or three million bales is somethingeven if it has to be paid for. besides, there is the pleasing consciousness of supplying the mills of the world with raw material at less than cost.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidney and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist. Guaranteed. †

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"STEER THOU MY BARK."

BY ALBERT H. HODGES.

The night is dark,
The track I cannot see,
And unto Him, the Light of lights, I pray;
Steer Thou my bark,
A Pilot be to me.
Turn Thou my darkness into open day.

The waves beat high,
And break upon the deck,
And unto Him who slumbers not I call,
Hear, Lord, my cry,
My little bark protect,
Or else beneath the angry waves I fall.

On rolls my bark,
Upon the billows wild,
My strength and patience, Lord, are almost gone;
Lord, while 'tis dark,
Be near unto Thy child,
And bring me safely to my friends and home.

Thus prayed my soul,
When, lo! the dawn appears,
The light of heaven breaks o'er all the sea,
Waves cease to roll,
Dispelled are all my fears,
My Father through the sunshine speaks to me.

The London Methodist.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— A stout heart may be ruined in fortune, but not in spirit.—*Hugo.*

— We all need more quiet rest in God's green pastures.—*J. R Miller.*

— It is to live twice when you can enjoy the recollection of your former life.—*Martial.*

— No principle is more noble, as there is none more holy, that of true obedience.—*H. Giles.*

— An extraordinary haste to discharge an obligation is a sort of ingratitude.—*Rochefoucauld.*

— A man's own good breeding is the best security against other people's ill manners.—*Chesterfield.*

— Most of our misfortunes are more supportable than the comments of our friends upon them.—*Colton.*

— More firm and sure the hand of courage strikes when it obeys the watchful eye of caution.—*Thompson*

— There is only one real failure in life possible; and that is, not to be true to the best one knows.—*Canon Farrar.*

— We are over-hasty to speak—as if God did not manifest Himself by our feeling, and make His love felt through us.—*George Eliot.*

— God be thanked for books; they are the voices of the distant and the dead, and make us heirs of the spiritual life of past ages.—*Channing.*

— It is the vain endeavor to make ourselves what we are not that has strewn history with so many broken purposes and lives left in the rough.—*Lowell.*

In the building of the home the first important thing to consider is to endowment. The nearer a man's and woman's lives run together, the more perfect does their one life become on earth.—A. C. Rowlinson.

— "But," is a word that cools many a warm impulse, stifles many a kindly thought, puts a stop to many a brotherly deed. No one would ever love his neighbor as himself if he listened to all the "buts" that could be said.—*Bulwer.*

— Read no mean books. The scholar knows that the famed books contain, first and last, the best thoughts and facts. Now and then, by rarest luck, in some foolish Grub street is the gem we want. But in the best circles is the best information.—*Emerson.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Mount Olive *Advertiser*: Many thousands of bushels of fruit and vegetables are allowed to go to waste in this section every season when the price is too low to allow of shipping.

— Winston *Journal*: Superintendent of Schools Wharton, of Greensboro, thinks there have been 20,000 persons vaccinated in the Greensboro section of Guilford county, and not a single serious case so far as he knows.

— Aberdeen *Telegram*: A white Republican of character, and a good business man of this county, was here this week and stated that he believed that all the white Republicans except the office seekers would support the constitutional amendment.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: The little three-year-old child of Mr Henry Long, of Colfax, was accidentally killed yesterday afternoon. The child was playing near the well, which was being cleaned out by workmen, when a heavy piece of timber fell on his head The skull was fractured and the unfortunate little sufferer died in about an hour.

— Elizabeth City *Economist*: Mr. T. R. Bland an old an esteemed citizen of this town, and a prominent member of the Baptist church, departed this life on Sunday night, after retiring for the night. He was found dead in bed on Monday morning. He was 76 years of age. Our most enduring work and monument is the pecan trees in the Court House lawn. They were planted there by Elihu White, of Belvedere, who departed his life last week, and our self. We suggested it to him about ten years ago, and he readily co-operated with us.

Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer: Mr. W. R. Tarlton died at his home in White Store township last Thursday (15th), aged 82 yeaas. —— Mr. Branch Barnhardt died at the home of his mother, at Norwood, Thursday morning. Mr. Barnhardt was depot agent at Albemarle and was taken violently ill with typhoid fever about ten days ago —— The 5 year-old son of Moses Clinton, col., who lives on Capt. Boggan's place, four miles from town, fell in the fire last Saturday (17th), and was so badly burned that death ensued Sunday. The child's parents were in town when the accident occurred, only two or three small children being present.

— Greenville *Reflector*: On Wednesday Chief of Police James arrested a colored man named Joe May. Since the robbery of Mr. Laughinghouse last week this man has been under suspicion and has been shadowed. When he was arrested Mr. Laughinghouse was telephoned for to come to Greenville and see if he could recognize him. Mr. Laughinghouse arrive. here in the afternoon and said the man's appearance corresponded perfectly to one of those who assailed and robbed him. When searched May had a copy of the *Daily Reflector* hid in the lining of his coat. From Mr. Laughinghouse's statement the man was placed in jail to await furtner developments.

— Shutting Him Out: "Now if I were only an ostrich," began the mean man at the breakfast table as he picked up one of his wife's biscuits, "then—" "Yes," interrupted the patient better half "then I might get a few feathers for that old hat I've worn for three winters."—*Chicago News.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Brown—"How did Smith manage to the secure the nomination? He has no political influence, has he?" Jones—"No; but he's simply rolling in affluence."

— She (enthusiastically)—"Oh, George, don't you think the greatest joy in life is the pursuit of the good, the true and the beautiful?" He—"That's what I am here for, my darling!"—*Tit Bits.*

—The Englishman—"Don't forget, sir, that the Boers have one great advantage—they are on their own ground." The Other man—"Then what are you fighting them for?"—Life.

— No Substitute: The Missionary—"Why do you drink this awful liquor?" Hungry Ned—"By gosh, parson, it's the only licker in the camp. We have to."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Currency: She—"We discussed the greenback at our study club to day." He—"Well, what did you decide?" She—"That government should either issue currency in all the going tints or else not at all!"—*Detroit Journal.*

— Changed Conditions: Father—"That man should be an example to you, my son. He entered a store as office boy and worked himself up until in a few years he owned the business." Son—"He could never do that in these days, pa. when they have cash registers."—*Judge.*

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Rev. John E. King will preach at Delgoda Cotton Mills at 11 o'clock A. M. to-day at building No. 50.

Service at the Seamen's Bethel today at 3 o'clock, conducted by the Chaplain, Rev. Milton A. Barber.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass and holy communion, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermon 10.30 A. M.; vespers 7.45 P. M.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt pastor. German services at 11 A M English services at 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rev. M. A. Barber, rector. Services: Holy communion, 7.45 A. M.; morning prayer litany and sermon, 11 A. M.; evening prayer and sermon, 7.30 P. M.

St. James church, Quinquagesima Sunday. Services 11 a. m.. Morning prayer, ante Communion, sermon; 5 p. m , Evening prayer. Sunday School at 3.45 p. m. Public cordially invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street above, Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Services only in the morning at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 9.30 A. M. All seats free and every person made welcome.

Services in St. John's Church to day, Quinquagesima Sunday, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Holy communion at 7 45 A. M.; morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock; evening prayer, 5 o'clock. Sunday School, 4 P. M.

FIGS GO TO COURT.

And Prove the Most Effective Witnesses In a Damage Suit.

An English solicitor was defending a fruit broker in an action brought for the recovery of $100, the price paid for a consignment of figs which the plaintiff declared to be unfit for human food. The defense alleged that, although moderately discolored by salt water, as the plaintiff knew when he bought them, the figs were perfectly wholesome. The figs were in court.

The plaintiff, a coster, who conducted his own case, was skillfully cross examined. The trial was obviously going against him, and once or twice he retorted so hotly that the judge threatened to commit him for contempt.

At length the coster grew desperate and, turning to the opposing counsel, hoarse and perspiring, he said:

"Look here, guv'nor, you say them figs are good to eat, and I say they ain't. That's all there is between us, ain't it? Now, s'elp me, if you'll eat two of them figs and you ain't sick immediately afterward I'll lose my case."

The judge at once saw the propriety of this suggestion and asked the lawyer what he proposed to do.

"Your honor is trying this case, not I," was the reply.

"No, no! The offer is made to you," said the judge.

A hurried consultation took place. Counsel suggested that it was the solicitor's duty to submit to the experiment. The solicitor refused. The broker himself was then asked if he would risk it.

"What will happen to me if I don't?" said he.

"You'll lose the case," replied both his legal advisers.

"Then," said he hurriedly, "lose the case, lose the case!" And so he did.—Youth's Companion.

BOTTOMLESS HOLES.

Pits In the Transvaal Whose Depths Have Not Been Fathomed.

Up near the course of the little river of Malmani there is a strange round hole in the rocks a few yards in diameter descending perpendicularly down to the unknown. In that hole there is nothing. It is empty. The neighbors say a stone dropped into it is never heard of again. These good people, though, are not given to throwing in many, even when the protecting parson is there on his rounds. They gravely suspect a too free indulgence might prove an annoyance to an irritable personage whom they would rather not see on their level in that part of the world and whose visits in anger they would be loath to receive.

Though this hole is empty, there is another, somewhat larger, close to it which is not empty. This other is full of water almost up to the brim, and it has upon it a floating island of grass which shifts from side to side with every change of the wind. To find further examples of the same sort of herbage it is necessary to go 600 miles northward, well into the hot districts in the tropics.

Boers say of this second pit they have endeavored to sound it, using 12 dozen rawhide thongs (reins) tied end to end, a line, say, of 200 fathoms, with a big stone as sinker, but without striking bottom. The sinker and line, at the lowest, were pulled sharply away to the side, as if a strong current were coursing below. Upon that they ceased to investigate further. You see, they were meddling in things which didn't concern them and risking encounters with powers best left alone. So how deep it may be we do not know yet. Some day a bolder spirit may tell us.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

To avoid a task and to fear it is to make it our master. To set about it cheerfully at once is to become its master.

Love is the salt that preserves affections and actions from the corruptions of life.

The life of the business woman is not easy. Usually it is a monotonous routine of work, often aggravated by the ill temper or stupidity of others. And when the physical condition of the woman keeps her in constant suffering, it makes her lot a hard one.

So many women have found entire relief from the ills peculiarly feminine, by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that it seems almost criminal to neglect the opportunity of a complete cure offered by the use of this medicine.

You are invited to consult Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., either personally or by letter free of charge. If your case is severe or others have failed to reach it, do not hesitate to write to or go and see Dr. Pierce. Your letter will be read in private, its contents treated as a sacred confidence, and an answer promptly returned in a plain envelope bearing no printing upon it. Write without fear and without fee.

"I had been a great sufferer from female weakness for about two years," writes Mrs. Emma Richardson, of Goss, Wayne Co., Ky. "Could not do my work part of the time. I took four bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and felt as well as I ever did. I have also used Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for ulceration of the throat with good results and half of one bottle cured my throat when I could scarcely swallow."

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Hams ℔ ℔	11½ @	15
Sides ℔ ℔	@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	8
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	6½ @	6¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@	1 40
New New York, each	1 40 @	1 50
New City, each	1 40 @	1 50
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	@	24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	18 @	20
Northern	28 @	32½
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	49 @	50
Virginia Meal	49 @	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25 @	1 35
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	12 @	13
Dairy Cream	13½ @	14
State	11½ @	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	13 @	16
Rio	9½ @	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10 @	11
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	4 35 @	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	@	3 50
Straight	3 85 @	4 00
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½ @	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	@	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	51½ @	52
Oats, from store	38 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	80 @	90
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	12½
Dry salt	@	19
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		
Clover Hay	75 @	80
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	90 @	1 00
Western	90 @	1 00
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½ @	3½
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	7 @	8½
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	5 00 @	6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @	8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @	10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28 @	32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95 @	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	11 75 @	12 00
Rump	11 50 @	12 00
Prime	11 00 @	11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 125 ℔ Sacks	@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 60 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	@	5¾
Standard A	@	5⅝
White Extra C	@	4⅞
Extra C, Golden	@	4¾
C, Yellow	@	4½
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼ @	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @	10 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @	3 50
" Sap	2 00 @	2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	00
WOOL per ℔—Unwashed	14 @	15
Mill, Prime	7 50 @	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50 @	5 00

Plump and Comely.

As a rule, the Cuban woman is round in figure. Her face is seldom vivacious —one looks in vain for the beauty of expression. Her hair is often a "glory" to her and is sometimes of that blue black shade only possessed by the daughters of southern Europe and their descendants, though occasionally the Cuban girl varies the programme by being a blond and, to be plain, rather fat. This lady is often a woman at 12 and the mother of a large family at 19 or 20. So pretty in her youth, in age she becomes either lean and dried or fat and unwieldy. She fades early, and for want of strength of character, is apt to lose control of her husband, who nevertheless still continues to need such control as badly as any man of his times. But, whatever she may grow or seem, her eyes never fade. To the last, through all vicissitudes, they are big and black.

Started New Hair

Hon. John H. Gardner, member Wyoming State Legislature from Beulah, Crook Co., in letter dated February 20, 1899, to the

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 54 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 53½ cts per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.45 per bbl for strained and $1.50 for good strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 44@43½c; rosin firm at 90@95c; tar firm at $1.00; crude turpentine firm at $1 35@2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	17
Rosin	767
Tar	233
Crude turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year.—12 casks spirits turpentine, 65 bbls rosin, 130 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet and steady on a basis of 8⅝c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 5-16	cts ℔ ℔
Good ordinary	7 11 16	" "
Low middling	8 5-16	" "
Middling	8⅝	" "
Good middling	9⅛	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—202 bales; same day last year, 100.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50@53½c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 53 to 53½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 85c; upland 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 24.—Money on call was steady; actual transactions were 2½ per cent., and closed offered at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange weak; actual business in bankers' bills at 487@487¼ for demand and at 483¼@486 for sixty days. Posted rates 484½@485 and 488@488½. Commercial bills 483@483½. Silver certificates—no report. Bar silver 59⅝ Mexican dollars 47¼ Government bonds were steady. U. S. 2's, registered, 103; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 135; do. coupon, 135; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 116; do. coupon, 116; U. S. 5's, reg'd. 114; do. coupon, 114; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 105; Southern Railway 5's 107¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 61¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 28¼; Manhattan L 95¾; New York Central 132; Reading 18¾; do. 1st prefer'd 59¾; St. Paul 121¼; do. preferred 171; Southern Railway 12¾; do. preferred 57¼; American Tobacco, 107¼; do. preferred 135¼; People's Gas 98¼; Sugar 111; do. preferred 112; T. C. & Iron 95⅝; U. S. Leather 12⅞; do. preferred 74¼; Western Union 83¼.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 24.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1.75. Spirits turpentine quiet at 55½@56c.

CHARLESTON, February 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Quotations were: B, C, D, $1 45; E, $1 45, F, $1 55; G, $1 60; H, $1 85; I, $2 00; K, $2 15; M, $2 25; N, $2 50, W G, $3 25; W W, $3 40.

SAVANNAH, February 24—Spirits turpentine firm at 53½c; sales 28 casks; receipts 143 casks; exports 991 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,642 barrels; receipts 2 351 barrels; exports 1,399 barrels; G $1 65@1 70.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 24.—The Liverpool market for cotton advanced 1-16d on spot supplies and 2½ and 4 64d on the future list to-day. This caused a rise of one to seven points in the local markets and led to active trading which soon increased the advance five to ten points, chiefly on the old crop positions, which were particularly in demand for covering short accounts with a special demand for August from Wall street, which was put down as long account buying. Later prices eased off a few points under realizing, but in the main the market held a firm undertone. At 11 o'clock the net rise here was five to twelve points, the market having recovered its full strength. Later the market became very irregular, with the short interest particularly nervous. About the only sellers were longs, who as a matter of conservative trading preferred to take profits rather than hold over till Monday. As a rule, however, longs were disposed to increase rather than decrease their interest. The market closed steady at a net advance of six to sixteen points. A Wall street house has 25,000 bales of cotton here or on the way to deliver on March contracts which a Greek export house will take, although the cotton grades much better than wanted. The disposition on the part of the exporters to take cotton of unsatisfactory character stimulated the market, reflecting the destitution of foreign spinners. Spot closed quiet, with prices ⅛c higher.

NEW YORK, February 24.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9 3 16c.

Cotton futures closed steady at prices: February 8.83@8 84, March 8 83@8 84, April 8.84@ 85, May 8.85, June 8 85@8.86, July 8.87@8.88, August 8.76@8.77, September 8.14@8.15, October 7.80, November 7.68@7 70, December 7.68@7.70, January 7.73@7.74.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 1-16c higher; middling uplands 9 3 16c; middling gulf 9 7-16c; sales 50 bales.

Net receipts 675 bales; gross receipts 3,748 bales; stock 131,963 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 18,646 bales; exports to Great Britain 54,621; exports to the Continent 8,316 bales; stock 966,633 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 18,646 bales; exports to Great Britain 54,621; exports to the Continent 8,316 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,340,268 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,536,190 bales; exports to France 570,527 bales; exports to the Continent 1,752,573 bales.

Feb. 24.—Galveston, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 4,511 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9, net receipts 1,893 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 9 1 16c, net receipts 762 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8⅝c, net receipts 202 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9 7-16, net receipts 355 bales; Savannah, steady at 8 13-16c, net receipts 5,198 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 2,615 bales; Mobile, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 178 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8⅝c, net receipts 686 bales; Augusta, steady at 9c, net receipts 320 bales; Charleston, steady at 8½c, net receipts 1,631 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 24.—Flour dull and weaker; winter patents $3 60@3 85; Minnesota patents $3 80@4 00. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 76¼c; No. 1 Northern 78¼c; options opened rather firm on much better Liverpool cables than expected but immediately encountered short selling and foreign orders. This promoted a quick reaction which lasted all the morning until near the close, when the market rallied with corn and left off steady at unchanged prices. Quoted: March closed 74⅜c; May closed 72⅛c; September closed 72⅛c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 42¼c f. o. b. afloat and 42@42¼ at elevator; options opened firm with wheat and on the small contracts showing increased receipts After a reaction under short sales the market rallied and closed firm at ⅛@¼c net advance; May closed 40¼c; July 40⅜. Oats—Spot dull. No. 2, 29c; options dull and easy. Lard steady; Western steam $6 15; refined quiet; Continent $6 30. Pork firm; mess $10 75@11 50. Butter steady; Western creamery 20@24c; imitation creamery 17@22c; State dairy 18@23c Eggs firmer; State and Pennsylvania 14¼@15c at mark; Southern 13½@14c at mark; Western fresh 14¼c at mark Cheese quoted firm; fall made fancy small 13c; fall made fancy large 13. Potatoes quiet; New Jersey $1 25@1 63½; New York $1 50@1 87½; Long Island $2 50@3 00; Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75 Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 33d. Tallow firmer; city 5¼c. Rice firm; domestic to fair 5⅝@6¼c; Japan 4¾@5c. Petroleum firm; refined New York $9 90; Philadelphia and Baltimore $9 85; do. in bulk $7 20. Cabbage steady; Long Island $4 00@6 00 per 100. Cotton seed oil weak and rather heavy with little demand and too much pressing for sale. Quoted: Prime crude, in barrels, 33½@34. prime summer yellow 37¼@37½c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 38@39c; prime winter yellow 39@40c; prime white 39@40c; prime meal $23 50. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No 7 invoice 8¾c; No. 7 jobbing 9¼c; mild steady; Cordova 9½@14. Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 3⅜c; centrifugal 4⅛c; molasses sugar 3 11 16@3⅛c; refined quiet; mould A $5 45.

CHICAGO, February 24.—Wheat opened firm to-day but succumbed to the lack of outside demand, and liquidation, closing heavy, May 1-4c under yesterday. May corn closed 3 8c and May oats a shade higher. Provisions at the close were 5 to 10c lower.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24—Cash quotations: Flour—Market quiet; winter patents $3 50@3 70. Wheat—No. 2 spring—No. 3 spring 62¾@64¼c; No. 2 red 68¼@69¼c. Corn—No. 2, 33¼c. Oats—No 2 22¼@22⅞; No. 2 white 25¼@26¼; No. 3 white 24¼@25½c. Pork, per barrel, $9 80@10 70 Lard, per 100 ℔s, $5 65@5 72½ Short rib sides, loose, $5 75@6 00 Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50 Short clear sides, boxed, $5 97½@6 05. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 23½

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 February 66⅞, 66⅞, 66⅞, 66⅞c; May 66⅛@66¼, 66¼@66⅝, 65⅞, 66⅛; July 67@67¼, 67¼@67¼, 66½, 66⅝c Corn—No. 2 February 33⅛, 33½, 33⅛, 33½; May 34⅜@35, 35⅛, 34⅝, 35@35⅛c; July 35⅛, 35⅛, 34⅞, 35⅛@35¼. Oats—May 23⅞, 23⅞, 23¼, 23¼@23⅛; July 22¼@22⅞, 22¼@22⅞, 22¼, 22¼. Pork, per bbl—May $10 75, 10 77½, 10 65, 10 65; July $10 80, 10 80, 10 70, 10 70. Lard, per 100 ℔s—May $5 90, 5 90, 5 82½, 5 82½; July $5 97½, 5 97½, 5 90, 5 92½. Short ribs, per 100 ℔s.—May $5 87½, 5 90, 5 80, 5 82½; July $5 87½, 5 90, 5 82½, 5 82½.

BALTIMORE, February 24.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat dull—Spot and month 71¾@72c; March 72@72¼c; May 72¾@73c; Southern wheat by sample 65@73c. Corn firm—Spot 39¼@39½c; February 39¼@39½c; March 39¼@39½c; April 39¼@39½c; Southern white corn 40@41c. Oats firmer—No. 2 white 32@32¼c.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, February 24, 1 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in limited demand; prices 1 16d higher. American middling fair, 5 7 16d; good middling 5¼d; middling 5 3 16d; low middling 5 1 16d; good ordinary 4⅞d; ordinary 4 11 16d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 5,400 American. Receipts 27,100 bales, all American.

Futures opened and closed firm at the advance. American middling (l. m. c.)—February 5 6 64d value; February and March 5 3 64d value; March and April 5d buyer; April and May 4 60 64@4 61 64d seller; May and June 4 57-64d buyer; June and July 4 54 64@4 55 64d buyer; July and August 4 52 64@4 53 64d seller; August and September 4 46-64@4 47 64d seller; September and October 4 26 64d buyer; October and November 4 16 64d seller; November and December 4 10 64@4 11 64d seller.

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EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Clyde steamship Richmond—700 bales cotton, 53 casks spirits, 40 bbls rosin, 227 bbls tar, 119 bbls crude, 22,400 feet lumber, 55 bbls pitch, 53 cases cotton goods, 101 bales yarns, 13 bbls tar, 10 pkgs mdse; cargo by various consignees, vessel by H G Smallbones.

FOREIGN.

PORT DE PAIX—Schr Melissa Trask —5,000 hard brick, 1,000 gallons lamp oil, 80 bbls cement, 13,500 feet white pine boards, 14 000 feet scantling, 85,000 feet pitch pine boards, 33,000 cypress shingles, 4 rough spruce spars, valued at $2,298 88, cargo by master, vessel by George Harriss, Son & Co.

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W. C. & A. Railroad—141 bales cotton, 73 barrels rosin, 87 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—36 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 540 barrels rosin, 33 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—12 casks spirits turpentine, 154 barrels rosin, 107 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 202 bales; spirits turpentine, 17 casks; rosin, 767 barrels; tar, 233 barrels.

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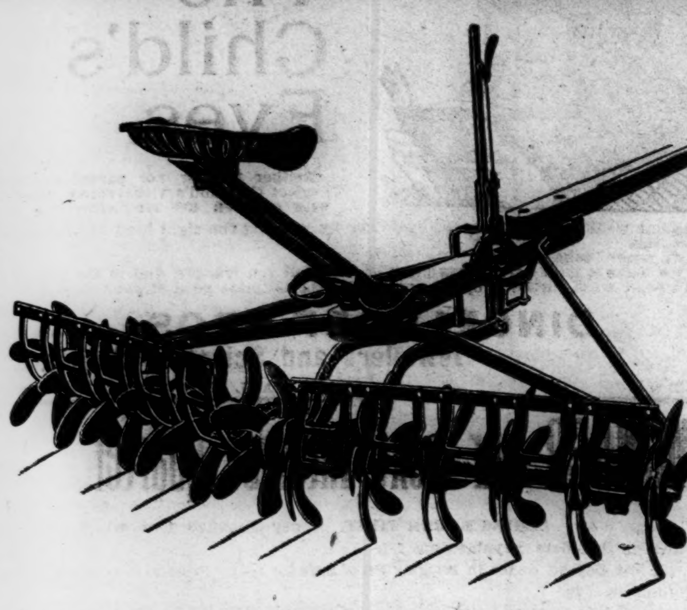

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Democratic Primaries.

NOTICE.

All white men who wish to join the movement for the promotion of good government, and who honestly intend to support the Democratic nominees, are invited to participate in a primary election which is hereby called to be held in the several wards and townships of New Hanover county on Thursday, March 22d, 1900, at the following hours:

Polls in the city will be open at 8 o'clock A. M. and close at 7 P. M.

Polls in the precincts outside of the city of Wilmington will open at 9 o'clock and close at 4 o'clock P. M.

The Primary Election is called for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following county offices:

Sheriff, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, County Coroner, County Surveyor, two members of the House of Representatives.

Also, a Senator for New Hanover and Brunswick counties.

The said Primary Election is also called for the purpose of electing five executive committee-men for each precinct, and delegates to the county convention which is hereby called to meet on Saturday, March 31st, 1900, in the Court House in Wilmington for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and District Conventions and for the purpose of ratifying the action of the primaries.

At the close of the election the poll-holders shall immediately count the votes and make returns in duplicate to the County Executive Committee, at the Court House, signed by at least two of the poll-holders.

The County Executive Committees shall certify the result to the County Convention which shall ratify the action of the people in the primaries by declaring the candidates who received a majority of the aggregate vote cast in the county for the respective offices the regular nominees of the Democratic Party.

In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the vote cast for the office for which he stood, then a second primary shall be held on Tuesday, March 27th, 1900, which primary shall be governed by the same rules and regulations which governed the first primary, and the only candidates voted for shall be the two which received the highest vote in the first primary. Votes cast for any other persons shall not be counted.

There shall be only one voting place in each ward and township, except that in Harnett township there shall be two, one of which shall be located at or near the Delgado Mills.

Ballot boxes shall be provided as follows: At each voting place there shall be one box properly labelled for County Officers; one box for Legislative Candidates; and one box for each precinct where there is more than one precinct in the ward or township, in which votes for precinct executive committeemen and delegates to the county convention shall be cast.

Candidates for county offices shall be voted for on one ballot; candidates for legislative offices shall be voted for on one ballot; and executive committeemen and delegates to the county convention shall be voted for on one ballot.

The following inspectors of election and poll-holders have been appointed.

First Ward—W. T. Carpenter, W. L. West, C. J. W. Rehder.

Second Ward—E. Keith Calder, H. G. Fennell, J G. Love.

Third Ward—L. B. Sasser, I. H. Weil, E. T. Wade

Fourth Ward—W. F. Robertson, G. H. Smith, A. L. DeRosset.

Fifth Ward—B. R. Peany, Jno. F. Littleton, J. c. Barnes.

Cape Fear Township—W. H. Shearin, Robt. Bordeaux, Chas. Casteen.

Harnett Township—At Township House—W. F. Alexander, B. B Humphrey, J. D. Woody At Delgado Mills—Jesse Williams, James Ezell, D. F. O'Brien.

Masonboro Township—J. T. Hawkins, C. B. Bishop, B. S. Montford.

Federal Point Township—Owen Martindale, J. T. Burnett, Thos. McGhee.

The polling places will be announced later.

The several precincts are entitled to the following representation in the County Convention:

First Ward—First precinct, six delegates; Second precinct, four delegates; Third precinct, three delegates; Fourth precinct, one delegate; Fifth precinct, one delegate.

Second Ward—(Two precincts), sixteen delegates

Third Ward—First precinct, ten delegates; Second precinct, seven delgates.

Fourth Ward—First precinct, seven delegates; Second precinct, six delegates.

Fifth Ward—First precinct, six delegates; Second precinct, seven delegates; Third precinct, five delegates; Fourth precinct, two delegates,

Cape Fear Township—Two delegates.

Harnett Township—(Two precincts), four delegates.

Masonboro Township—Two delegates.

Federal Point Township—One delegate.

By order of the Democratic Executive Committee New Hanover county.

D. MCEACHERN, Chairman.
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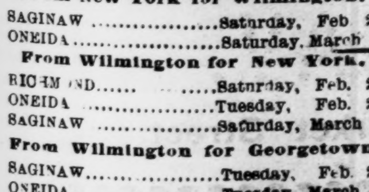

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Train 41—Leaves Wilmington daily at 3:05 P. M. Lumberton 5:14 P. M., Pembroke 5:40 P. M., Maxton 6:12 P. M., Laurinburg 6:24 P. M. arriving at Hamlet 6:58 P. M., where connection is made with trains for Charlotte, Athens, Atlanta and all points South, Southeast and Southwest. Also with trains for Raleigh, Portsmouth, Norfolk, Old Point Comfort, Richmond Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:55 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A.M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:18 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P M.

Train 78—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 3:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Rutherfordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:20 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 5:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

Train 17—Leaves Hamlet 8:40 A. M. Arrives Cheraw 10:00 A. M. Returning, leaves Cheraw 5:00 P. M. Arrives Hamlet 6:20 P. M.

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STATEMENT OF

Atlantic National Bank.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the Close of Business Feb. 13th, 1900, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 912 331.90
Overdrafts	16 90
U. S. Bonds (at par 3's & 4's)	196,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's $ 96 493 66	
Due from other banks 187 388.71	
Cash on hand 102,54 .92	—386,874 29
Total	$1,504 822 48

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	100 583.81
Circulation	41,040.00
Deposits U. S Treas. $150,875.00	
Deposits from Banks 226 67 95	
Deposits from individuals 766 655.72	
Certificates of Deposit 35,000.00	—1,228,198 67
Total	$1,504 822 48

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Feb 13 '98	Feb. 13, '99	Feb. 13, 1900
Total deposits	$654,000	$1,141,000	$1,228,000
Surplus and net profit	75 400	89,000	100 500
U.S. bonds at par	50,000	95 600	196,100

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

☞ Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October 1892. feb 21 tf

FASHION HINTS.

Items Concerning the Predominant Styles.

The blouses now worn are much modified. They are far closer in fit, and the blouse form is but lightly suggested. Yokes of all varieties are the principal feature—round, square, pointed, cut in all sorts of odd shapes, plain, plaited, puffed and embroidered.

Many gowns are made in two tones, the tunic being lighter or darker than the skirt.

Stitching is seen everywhere upon hats, wraps and gowns. Some tailor made costumes are almost entirely covered with

CLOTH COSTUME.

lines of stitching which design all sorts of motifs and continuous patterns. There are waved bands, arabesques, Greek patterns, scallops, points and circles thus defined. Stitched velvet is the newest finish for coat revers and collars and is also used to cover hats and drape toques.

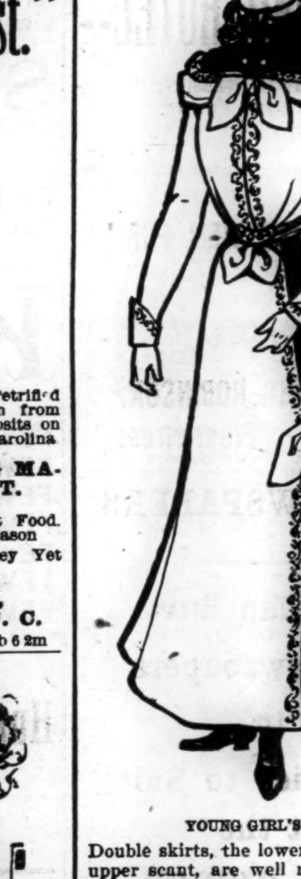
The picture shows a gown of lizard gray cloth. The redingote skirt has round corners and is finished with lines of stitching and opens over a tablier of the same material. The bodice, fitted at the back, is stretched in front and has a plastron plaited at the sides and crossed in the middle by little red velvet straps held by crystal buttons. The revers of white satin form a bertha across the back and are covered with applications of guipure. They are cut in square tabs and edged with a narrow band of sable. The close sleeves are plaited at the top. The belt is of red velvet, as is also the accompanying hat, which is trimmed with black ostrich plumes and a jeweled buckle. JUDIC CHOLLET.

FASHION NOTES.

A Becoming Variety of Style In Skirts.

Although the general style of skirts is clinging, there is nevertheless a certain latitude allowed, for, while the utterly plain kind, without the least plait or fullness at the waist, is becoming to some figures, to others it is most unfavorable. So there are not only plaitless skirts, but plaited ones, two or more folds being placed at the immediate back. The same may be said of tunics. Some are entirely plain, others draped and plaited.

Circular ruffles continue to be worn, but their novelty vanished long ago.



YOUNG GIRL'S GOWN.

Double skirts, the lower very flaring, the upper scant, are well represented. The perfectly plain skirt is, however, by no means in disgrace, and its lining is usually fastened securely to the outside material instead of being attached only at the belt. Occasionally, however, the two are separate, and in that case they are cut in exactly the same form.

The young girl's gown depicted is of parma silk. The skirt, which is embroidered in a narrow design, opens over a side panel of royal blue velvet, being held across it by a parma bow. The parma silk blouse, embroidered to match, has a yoke of blue velvet, with a capuchon bertha of embroidered silk tied in front. The belt is of blue velvet, with an ornamental buckle and a parma bow in front. The cuffs of the tight sleeves are embroidered. JUDIC CHOLLET.

The Undelectable Mountain.

"This butter," remarked the summer boarder fretfully, "is very strong!"

The other summer boarder shivered affrightedly.

"Pray don't make a mountain out of a mole hill, or we shall be charged mountain resort rates!" he implored in a low voice which nevertheless thrilled with earnestness.

They glanced apprehensively at the host, but he, happily, was eating watermelon and making so much noise with his mouth as not to have heard.—Detroit Journal.

A Little Late For an Inquest.

London coroners are sticklers for their rights. A box held at a railroad station recently, owing to the railroad officials having lost the way bill, was opened, though it was consigned to a Hamburg museum, and the body of a young woman and two skulls were found inside.

The young woman is a mummified Peruvian and the skulls are prehistoric, yet the coroner of the district insists on holding inquests on both mummy and skulls unless the museum people have them removed.

Awful Effort.

Mother—How did your face get that strained, agonized look in your photograph? Did the light hurt your eyes?

Small Son—No, mamma. The man told me to try to keep still, an I did.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

One method of cooling oneself in China is to press a warmed towel on the face. After removing it the air seems cool and pleasant.

BEFORE THE "TEA PARTY."

Albany's Love For King George II and His Governor.

The common council, in October, 1743, sent the following address to George Clinton, who had the month previous been appointed governor of the colonies. If flattery had any effect, certainly the city of Albany must have been very popular with the governor:

"To his Excellency George Clinton, Esq., Captain Generall and Commander in Chief of the province of New York and the Territories thereon depending in America, and Vice Admirall of the same, etc. The Honorable Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the city of Albany in the Colony of New York in America:

"May it please your Excellency! We the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of his Majesty's Loyal City of Albany take this opportunity to congratulate your Excellency upon your and your familie's safe arrivall at New York, the Metropolis of your Goverament, where we sincerely wish your Excellency and family may long enjoy health and happiness.

"We cannot sufficiently acknowledge the goodness and fatherly care of our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King George the Second towards us, in that it hath pleased him to send your Excellency to govern us, who have so early and earnestly expressed your good intentions to make the welfare and happiness of this Colony your chief care and study, for which kind and tender expressions we make your Excellency our grateful and sincere acknowledgements.

"We as the frontier city of this Colony in case of a French war will stand in need of great share of your Excellencie's care and vigilance, which we assure ourselves your Excellency will with pleasure bestow upon us.

"We beg leave to assure your Excellency that we will allways make it our business, as we know it is our duty, to do what in us lies to make your Excellencie's administration easy and happy. Voc aro.

"May it please your Excellency."—Albany Argus.

Just In Time.

"Hello! Is that Mr. Highmus' residence?"

"Yes."

"Is that you, Fanny?"

"Yes."

"Are you alone?"

"Yes."

"So am I. Everybody else at the office has gone. I want to talk to you a little. Dar"—

"'Sh! Don't you know the girl at the central office is listening?"

"Darkness, I was going to say, may come on before I get around this evening. It's a nice day, isn't it? Well, goodby."—Chicago Tribune.

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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar......Wilmington......Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Fayetteville......Ar	12 05 a m
3 45 p m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	12 25 p m
2 30 p m	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv......Climax......Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv......Walnut Cove......Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv......Rural Hall......Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv......Mt. Airy......Ar	7 85 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 65.
8 00 a m	Lv......Bennettsville......Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv......Maxton......Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv......Red Springs......Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv......Hope Mills......Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46. South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	No. 47. North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar......Ramseur......Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Climax......Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv......Madison......Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

J. R. KENLY, General Manager.
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Statement of Condition of
THE

Murchison National Bank

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business February 13th, 1900.
(Began business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$387,544.36
Stocks and bonds	5 135.00
U S. bonds	113 000 00
Premium on U. S. bonds	9 600 00
Five per cent. redmption fund	2 700.00
Revenue stamps	386.00
Office furniture	750.00
Cash on hand and in banks	211,706 53
Total	$630,821.89

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$100 000.00
Profits less expenses	18,611.38
Circulation	54.80 .00
Deposits	357,410.51
Total	$630,821.89

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Schedule In Effect Jan. 14, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11 39 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.58 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M., Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.85 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.13 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 58—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12 25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York 9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12 20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9 48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3 30 P. M., Warsaw 4 24 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.18 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.2? A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.1? A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.53 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.25 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M., Maxton 9.20 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8 10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12 15 A. M., 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A M., Rowland 10.54 A M Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M. 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.80 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.0? A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9 15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.15 P. M. arrive Selma 2.48 P M 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P M Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.22 P. M. 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.0? P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A M. Returning leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M. Sumter 6.08 P M Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliott 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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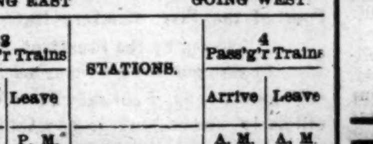

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GOING EAST 3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	GOING EAST 3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	GOING WEST 4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
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Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M. and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 25.

SUMMARY OF THE SITUATION

Gen. Cronje Still Holds His Strong Position Near Paardeberg—Gen. Buller Fighting on the Tugela.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 24.—Spencer Wilkinson, summarizing the week's events of the war in South Africa for the Associated Press, said to-night:

"On the night of Thursday, February 15th, General Cronje marched out from Magersfontein, between French, who had just entered Kimberley and General Kelly Kenny, then at Klip drift on the Modder river. The next day General Kelly-Kenny pursued him, attacked his rear guard and delayed him until the Highland brigade was on its way to stop him on the south bank of the Modder and General French could pass him on the north bank.

"After a three days running fight General Cronje was stopped at Koodoosrand, near Paardeberg, where he was surrounded. His force was between the river banks which gave him a defensive position facing either way, so that attacks on him involved heavy loss, but he was held until on Tuesday, Lord Roberts arranging to grip upon him with a girdle of infantry in his position, while cannonading him with fifty guns enfilading the river bed. In the meantime, Lord Roberts with a spare divisions or two beyond the three brigades holding Cronje, set himself to intercept and drive away any Boer reinforcements.

"We have little news beyond Wednesday. On Thursday the shelling of Cronje was contined at intervals, continuous shelling probably involving a too lavish use of ammunition. Boers have been giving themselves up by fifties a day. On Tuesday Lord Roberts drove off reinforcements coming from Colesberg and from Natal.

"A Berlin dispatch declares that Cronje has forced his way through. This is improbable, but may refer to a small party who may have escaped in the night.

"Lord Roberts' advance has drawn away some of the Boer forces from Colesberg, Sterkstroom and Natal, as is seen from the diminished resistance to the British at all those points.

"General Buller, after taking Inhlawe hill, has crossed the Tugela river, and, according to the latest telegrams, has been fighting continuously since Thursday morning. This looks like a decided attempt to relieve Ladysmith, wherein I expect General Buller will succeed if he does not, as before, interrupt his advance by stopping to count his losses and declaring that he has lost enough. A general has never lost enough to justify the giving up of his enterprise, so long as his troops are willing to go on with him. Ladysmith can probably hold out for several weeks longer and in that time the effect of Lord Roberts' advance will probably be even more marked than it has yet been."

THE PLAGUE AT HONOLULU.

Cessation of the Epidemic—All Danger Believed to Be Over.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 24.—Quartermaster General Ludington has received a report from Major Ruhlin, quartermaster at Honolulu, under date of February 8th, in regard to the progress of the plague at that port, in which he says:

"When I wrote my letter of February 24, forwarded by the last mail, the situation respecting the progress of the bubonic plague was much improved and no new cases had occurred within a period of a week. Since then there have been three additional cases, but they were all traced to a distinct centre of infection, which was destroyed by fire yesterday, and do not, in my opinion, change the general tendency toward a cessation of the epidemic. While technical quarantine measures as regards inspection and precautions in respect to ships arriving and leaving are still in full force, I consider that all danger of infection is over and believe that no outbreak of the disease in epidemic form can or will occur for the reason that all sources of infection thus far discovered have been destroyed by fire. This has been done by the authorities regardless of cost or location of buildings. One large two-story frame house with all its out buildings in the best residence portion of the city was burned with all its contents because of the occurrence of a death from plague upon the premises."

BRYAN IN TENNESSEE.

Addressed a Large Audience at Nashville on Trusts and Imperialism.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NASHVILLE, TENN., February 24.—Hon. W. J. Bryan arrived here to-night. He was met some distance out of town by a committee of citizens and at the railway station a vast crowd gathered to greet him. Shortly after arriving Mr. Bryan addressed an audience of 7,000 people at the Tabernacle. His remarks were along the same lines followed during his Southern trip—trusts and imperialism being discussed in the order mentioned. To morrow Mr. Bryan will visit the historic "Hermitage," the old home of ex-President Andrew Jackson. The hermitage is thirteen miles from the city and the day will be consumed in the trip. Mr. Bryan's plan is to leave to morrow night for Memphis.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus decrease, $1,337,125; loans, increase $11,035,900; specie, decrease $1,048,600; legal tenders, decrease $1,826,400; deposits, increase $5,848,500; circulation, increase $547,700. The banks now hold $19,678,850 in excess of the legal requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

He Fooled The Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist. †

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TILLMAN TALKS TO THE SENATE.

A Vehement Attack Upon the Bill Establishing a Form of Government for Hawaii.

SENATOR MORGAN SCORED.

Debate in the House on the Porto Rican Tariff Bill—Speculation on the Outcome of Efforts to Unite Republicans in Behalf of the Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Throughout the session to-day the Senate had under consideration the Hawaiian government bill. The discussion took a wide range, but the basis of it was an amendment offered by Mr. Platt, Connecticut, as to the appointment and tenure of office of the judges of the Hawaiian courts. Mr. Tillman, South Carolina, embraced the opportunity to deliver a characteristic speech, in the course of which he made a stinging attack upon Senator Morgan, Alabama, and vigorously opposed many provisions of the bill, particularly those which related to sufferage.

Senator Penrose, Pennsylvania, gave notice that he would call up the Quay case again on Monday and would insist upon its consideration.

In the course of the consideration of the Hawaiian government bill Senator Tillman, Democrat, South Carolina, made a vehement attack upon the measure and arraigned Senator Morgan, Alabama, for alleged lack of courtesy. "The oligarchy which exists in Hawaii," declared Senator Tillman, "and which this bill perpetuates, is powerful and unscrupulous. It is an autocracy greater than ever existed outside Russia. I sympathize with the Senator from Connecticut in his efforts to secure a properly appointed judiciary for the islands—a judiciary not controlled by the oligarchy which now has its grip on the islands."

Referring to an incident which occurred the other day in which Senator Morgan, Alabama, declined to yield to Senator Tillman to reply to a statement made by Senator Wolcott, Colorado, concerning the "suppressed vote" of South Carolina, Senator Tillman said: "I have felt indignant at the treatment I received from the Senator (Morgan). Never in my experience in the Senate have I been treated so discourteous y by any member of the Senate."

Senator Morgan endeavored to interrupt Senator Tillman, but the latter waved him aside by saying: "I decline to yield to the Senator. He has put himself outside the pale of courtesy and consideration so far as I am concerned."

He then explained the circumstances of Senator Morgan's refusal to permit him to reply to Senator Wolcott. "When I rose to explain the situation in South Carolina as it was presented by the Senator from Colorado," said Senator Tillman, "the Senator from Alabama said: 'No, I can't permit you to speak now. I'll leave you to fight it out some other time.' It was the first time in my experience that I had ever been refused a hearing in like circumstances. No Republican would have denied me the privilege, because there is no man on that side of the chamber so lacking in courtesy and decency."

Mr. Tillman then explained that under the present constitution of South Carolina there were about 114,000 registered voters, 14,000 of whom were colored. Nearly ninety-nine per cent. of the white vote in the State, he said, was Democratic. In the summer primaries fully ninety per cent. of the registered votes were cast. At these primaries the contests for the State offices were made.

"There is no lethargy in the politics of South Carolina," said Senator Tillman. We have as much politics to the square mile as any State in the Union. There is no Republican party in the State. The Republican machine is composed of Federal office holders who control the patronage and send the delegates to Republican national conventions. The elections in November are simply ratifications of the primaries. Naturally, the result being a foregone conclusion, only 4,000 or 5,000 voters turn out in each district to vote."

After calling attention to the fact that at the general election in Massachusetts in 1890 only 285,000 votes were cast, out of a voting population of 665,000, and that at the same election in Connecticut the vote was 125,000 out of 224,000 legal voters, he said: "Why do they accuse us of the South of suppressing the vote when they are doing the same thing in Massachusetts. Why, we don't do half the devilment in South Carolina as this bill proposes to do in Hawaii. This bill will give four or five years more of contract labor—of slave labor—to the sugar barons, who in remitted duties on sugar will make $8,000,000."

In the course of a criticism of the measure Senator Tillman said: "I do not object to protection of the whites of Hawaii, but what I do object to is the hypocrisy of those in this chamber who maintain that the people of Hawaii are to be treated differently from those people who reside in Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina and other Southern States. The whites of the South are patriotic Americans. I want to protect the whites of Hawaii, but don't try to do it by hypocrisy."

Senator Tillman then read a letter from a person unnamed who declared that "a man who dares to oppose the sugar barons in Hawaii was in jeopardy of his life."

Senator Clark, Wyoming, asked for the name of the writer of the letter, saying such a charge ought not to be made lightly in the Senate.

Senator Tillman declined to give the writer's name.

In conclusion Senator Tillman declared: "I propose to offer as an amendment to this bill the suffrage provision of the South Carolina constitution, and I dare you to vote for it and I dare you not to vote for it."

After expressing some sympathy with the argument of Senator Tillman, Senator Clark, Wyoming, said: "When the Senator from South Carolina, charged Senator son the Republican side of the chamber with hypocrisy it comes in very poor grace from him to declare by Almighty God that the negroes of the South should not vote.'.

Senator Tillman—Such construction cannot in fairness be put upon my remarks.

Senator Clark—Will you say in this Senate that you are not trying in the South to oppress the negro vote.

Senator Tillman (with great vehemence)—No. I will sap that in South Carolina we have done our level best to keep the "nigger" from voting.

After an extended discussion of the pending amendment without result, Senator Tillman gave notice of an amendment substituting the suffrage provisions of the South Carolina constitution for the suffrage provisions of the pending bill.

The Senate at 5.45 P. M. adjourned.

House of Representatives.

Throughout the debate on the Porto Rico bill in the House of Representatives to-day there was an undercurrent of speculation on the outcome of the efforts to bring about united action of the present majority members of the House. Frequent conferences were held between representatives of the various elements.

The debate brought out a speech by Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, scoring Mr. Littlefield of Maine for his speech of yesterday, and also two speeches from the Republican side by Mr. Tompkins of New York and Mr. Powers of Vermont, opposing the bill. Mr. Thayer of Massachusetts closed the day with a defence of the anti imperialists. The other speakers were Mr. Eddick of Minnesota, for the bill, and Messrs. Clayton of Alabama and Broussard of Louisiana, against it.

Mr. Clayton, Alabama, was the first speaker of the day, presenting a legal argument against the bill. He maintained that the United States military forces held Porto Rico at the time of the treaty and that the island became as much a part of the United States as the territory of Arizona.

Mr. Tawney, Minnesota, a member of the Ways and Means Committee, enlivened the debate by a severe arraignment of Mr. Littlefield, Maine, for his speech of yesterday, attacking the bill and its promoters. "What reason is there," exclaimed Mr. Tawney, "for the unusual and unprecedented course of the gentleman from Maine, compelling him to leave the ranks of the Republican party and to join the ranks of the Democratic party? Why is it that he should exhibit the want of decent courtesy to the Ways and Means committee and to the distinguished gentlemen on the floor? Can it be the spruce lumber interests of Maine which will have to pay on their product entering Porto Rico fifty cents per thousand feet? Is it the people of Maine who raise their voice against this; no it is the lumber barons of Maine, the oppressors of the people for whom the gentleman declaims so fiercely."

Mr. Littlefield listened to the speech but made no effort to answer.

Mr. Broussard, Louisiana, opposed the bill and controverted the figures given by Mr. Payne, particularly in their references to sugar and rice. As to the latter article he said Porto Rico afforded a large market for the American product which should be retained.

SUIT FOR DIVORCE.

Brought by the Wife of State Senator McLellan, of Louisiana.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, February 24.—Mrs. Amber Louise McLellan, wife of Orris Irving McLellan, a State Senator in Louisiana, and worth, it is said, more than a million dollars, applied for divorce to-day. She testified that her husband's cruelty toward her was so great that she felt obliged to flee for her life. Her bill charged that in 1896 Mr. McLellan tried to have her interdicted, or pronounced incapable of carrying on her own affairs. When given her choice of a mad house or the street, Mrs. McLellan said she chose the asylum, and stayed there two months. About Christmas, 1898, she fled from New Orleans to Chicago, where a friend found her employment. The testimony showed the husband to be the owner of the dry docks at New Orleans, a line of street cars, large plantations, blocks of real estate in New Orleans and an income of $50,000 a year. Mrs. McLellan's lawyers asked the court to award Mrs. McLellan $5,000 a year as alimony and the possession of her personal property, worth $7,500. "If the case is as it seems," said Judge Tuthill, "she ought to have a share of that million."

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

Guffey of Pennsylvania to Succeed J. K. Jones as Chairman.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, PA., February 24.—County Chairman Joseph Hawley has called a meeting of the County Democracy for next Saturday, when a boom for National Committeeman J. M. Guffey to succeed J. K. Jones as chairman of the Democratic national committee will be launched. Chairman Hawley is authority for the announcement that the meeting next week will endorse Mr. Guffey and put in motion a movement which is hoped will result in placing the Pennsylvania member at the head of the committee.

A NEW YORK TRAGEDY.

Woman Shot and Killed at Hotel Endicott. Murderer Committed Suicide.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 24.—Mrs. E. P. Hayes, wife of Dr. E. P. Hayes a dentist, formerly of Chicago, but now with offices at the hotel Endicott in West 81st street, was shot and killed to-night in her apartments in that hotel by Dr. Frank D. Caldwell, an assistant of Dr. Hayes.

Caldwell then shot and killed himself.

Dr. Hayes was found in a drug store near at hand and hurried to the rooms. He was quite distracted, talked wildly and it was feared for a time that he would have to be restrained. He could not offer the faintest suggestion of a cause for the wild act of Caldwell.

BURNED AT SEA.

An Unknown Barque—The Crew Feared to Have Been Lost.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 24.—Shipping men fear that the crew of the thousand ton unknown bark, which the American ship Manuel Laguno saw on fire at sea, has been lost. This belief is strengthened by the report of the Ward line steamer Cienfuegos, now in this port. Her log book shows that on February 18th she passed close to a raft on which was a lot of clothing and blankets.

PHILIPPINE COMMISSION.

Four of the Five Members Have Been Selected by the President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 24.—It was officially announced to-day that four of the five members of the new Philippine commission have been selected. They are Judge Taft of Ohio, Luke E. Wright of Tennessee, H. C. Ide of Vermont and Dean Worcester of Michigan. The fifth member will be announced later. It is generally believed he will be Bernard Moses of California.

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BOERS MAINTAIN THEIR POSITION.

Rumor That Gen. Cronje Has Cut His Way Through General Roberts' Lines.

THE REPORT IS UNCONFIRMED

Believed in London That the Situation is Unchanged—That it is Impossible for Cronje to Escape—Gen. Buller Fighting on the Tugela.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 25, 4.35 A. M.—Since 2.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon nothing has been received from the scene of what the London papers call General Cronje's death struggle, the war officials announcing at midnight that they had nothing to give out. They stated that they believed it impossible for Cronje to escape from the grip of Lord Roberts.

The report circulated in Berlin that Cronje has succeeded in making his escape came from the Boer headquarters in Brussels, where it was stated that details were still lacking.

The only news from other parts of the seat of war received during the night is a special dispatch from Colenso, under date of February 24th, stating that the British, in spite of strong opposition, were advancing slowly but surely and driving the Boers from the kopjes between Grebler's kloopf and Hangewang.

Ladysmith reported by heliograph on Friday that the Boers were reuring northward in large numbers. Meanwhile the certainty of relief is so strong as Durban that the authorities are actively preparing train loads of provisions, luxuries and medical comforts for dispatch to the beleagured town as soon as communications are re opened.

Cronje Said to Have Got Through.

BERLIN, February 24, 6:10 p. m.—Several newspapers here announce that they learn from private sources that General Cronje succeeded in forcing his way through the British lines.

Fighting at Arundel.

PRETORIA, Friday, Feb. 23.—A special dispatch from Colesberg, dated Thursday, February 22nd, says that Commandant Delarey moved out and occupied a position east and south of Arundel, where the British were encamped. At sunrise the British attacked the Boers with cannon, infantry and cavalry, the Boers replying. Late in the evening, when the Boers were attacked in their rear by a force presumably from Naauwpoort, rendering the Boer position untenable, the British attempted to storm the Boer cannon but were repulsed with heavy loss. The Boer casualties as far as known were two men wounded.

Ladysmith fired a few shells this morning at our posts until silenced by Long Tom.

NEW YORK, February 24.—A cable dispatch from The Hague to a prominent Dutch resident of New York, printed in the *Evening Journal*, says: "Dr. Leyds has received the following dispatch from President Kruger: "'Free State and Transvaal forces together south of Paardeberg. Reinforced and well entrenched.'"

Situation at Paardeberg.

PAARDEBERG, February 22.—There is little change in the situation. There was intermittent shelling to day and during the night a large supply column arrived.

It is reported that two thousand Boers are operating northwards of this place.

Yesterday evening, after the last gun had been fired, the Shropshires rushed forward 200 yards further towards the bed of the river, and found a number of Boers dead.

General French captured seventy-five prisoners, who had previously escaped the cordon and a patrol, on the westward side, captured thirty more

Cronje Still Holds Out.

LONDON, February 24, 2.15 P. M.—The dispatch from Paardeberg, dated Thursday, February 22nd, made public this afternoon, shows that the condition of General Cronje apparently, had not changed for the better or worse up to Thursday and confirmation of the Durban report announcing General Cronje's surrender, is eagerly awaited. At this hour the War Office has no news and it is regarded as a curious fact that the first news of the surrender, if true, should have come from Durban. Lacking better authority, the Durban dispatch is regarded as a doubtful announcement. The arrival of the British supply column at Paardeberg may have given General Roberts the opportunity to resume his fierce attack on General Cronje's laager, for doubtless he would not keep up the vigorous cannonade with which he started. Possibly, the long wait may be due to a determination to endeavor to starve out General Cronje's gallant force.

Other late Paardeberg dispatches say the Boers' plight is still hopeless, and that Lord Roberts is ready to meet all their reinforcements.

A special dispatch from Arundel, under date of February 23d, says: "The Boers have formed a strong force seven miles west of here. Gen. Clements has kept up a searching fire on their kopjes. We expect to take their position before sunset."

Pretoria Advices.

A war bulletin published in Pretoria February 22d said communication with General Cronje was still open February 21st, and that reports of heavy fighting occurring east of General Cronje's laager have been received.

A Sterkstroom dispatch of February 23d says a British refugee from Heidelberg asserts that the Boers have admitted losing 500 men in the assault on Ladysmith January 6th, and that it was true General Joubert was no longer in command. He added that some Free Staters were publicly flogged for cowardice after the battle of Belmont.

The British casualties at Koodoosberg drift, February 7th, and Klip kraal, February 26th, were seven officers wounded, four men killed and ninety-six men wounded.

BOER HEAD LAAGER, NATAL, Feb. 23.—Yesterday the British crossed the Tugela in large numbers, with cannon and over sixty wagons. They attacked the Ermelo and Middle burghers' commandoes but were forced to retreat under a heavy Mauser fire.

A renewed attempt to storm the Ermelo men was made this morning but the British were again driven off. The fighting continues.

The British losses were very heavy. Eight ambulances were employed in collecting the dead and wounded.

The generals report that the commandoes are fighting bravely.

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THE KENTUCKY CONTEST.

Action Taken for a Consolidation of Suits involving the Governorship—Goebel's Alleged Murderers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Feb. 24.—The suit of "J. C. W. Beckham, Governor of Kentucky," against W. S. Taylor, was filed in the Circuit Court here to-day. This action was originally brought at Georgetown. The filing of the suit here was in accordance with the agreement made by both sides for a consolidation of suits involving the Governorship of Kentucky. The action is for an injunction. Governor Taylor is the plaintiff in a similar suit against Beckham and others. By the agreement Judge Field will try the consolidated suits.

The answer and counter claim of Beckham, Castleman and Carter in the injunction suits by W. S. Taylor, John Marshall and Daniel Collier, were filed. The answer denies all of the allegations of plaintiffs' petition and sets up a counter claim, that the offices of governor, lieutenant governor and adjutant general have been usurped by plaintiffs, and defendants pray that they be adjudged the holders of said offices.

Goebel's Suspected Assassins.

FRANKFORT, KY., February 24.—The attorneys for the prosecution and defence held a conference this afternoon and arranged for an examining trial for Harlan Whittaker on March 6th. Whittaker is one of the men charged with complicity in the murder of Goebel. Lee Jones, the Whiteley county suspect, will also be arraigned for trial the same day.

POWDER MILL EXPLOSION.

Three Men Killed and One Man Badly Injured—Shock Heard for Miles.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PLATTSVILLE, WIS., Feb. 24.—The Plattsville Powder mills were wrecked by an explosion this afternoon, killing three men and badly injuring another. The dead are: Thomas Bass, William Rottiger, Fred Genthe. H. S. Beck, machinist, of Bethelhem, who was in one of the presses, was thrown against the machinery and badly hurt, but he will recover.

The cylinder mill exploded first and this was followed by the two presses, the shock being heard for miles.

ST. LOUIS SAVINGS BANK.

Warrants Issued for the Arrest of Officers of the Institution.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—On application of a committee representing 1600 creditors, warrants were issued to day for the arrest of the officers of the defunct Mullanphy Savings bank. It is charged that the president, cashier and board of directors were remiss in their care of the bank's funds, and that to criminal negligence was due the final collapse of the institution.

WARM WIRELETS.

Monsignor Sbarretti, the newly appointed Bishop of Havana, arrived there yesterday morning.

A Portland, Me., dispatch says: A steamer believed to be the Californian, of the Allan Line, is ashore off Fort Williams, Portland harbor.

Mr. William C. Elam, editor-in-chief of the Norfolk *Virginia Pilot*, died at his home in Louisa county, Va., at 1 P. M. yesterday.

The British steamer Torino arrived at Havana, Cuba, Friday morning. The Torino is the steamer which was reported from Pensacola as having been lost in the storm on Tuesday night.

Representative Richardson, of Tennessee, has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives to prevent the interstate transportation of the products of trusts making silvre plated ware

A dispatch from Lorenzo Marques says: The French steamer Gironde has arrived there, bringing the American and French military attaches bound for the Boer camp.

The Delaware breakwater station reports that the schooner Anna from Fernandina for New York which arrived at the breakwater February 23rd leaking, will probably tow to New York.

Bids were opened at the Navy Department yesterday for the erection of a ship fitter shop at the Norfolk navy yard. The lowest bidder was the Pennsylvania Bridge Company, of Beaver Falls, at $94,616.

The Democratic executive committee which constituted the senatorial district in Kentucky represented by the late William Goebel, met last night and nominated for that office Matthew Harbison, the late Governor Goebel's law partner.

The Lamport and Holt steamer Homer, Captain Canadagan, from Santos January 21st, with coffee, arrived at New York quarantine last night and reported yellow fever on board, two deaths having occurred on the voyage from the fatal scourge.

The daughters of the American Revolution, devoted most of Thursday in session at Washington to the discussion of the magazine of the Order, which has been published at a loss. It was decided to continue the publication with an effort to put it on a paying basis.

The army transport McPherson was towed into Hampton Roads yesterday by the Jamaica fruit steamer Admiral Sampson, which found the transport drifting hopelessly several hundred miles off Charleston, S. C. The McPherson broke her propeller Monday and had a sevese experience.

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BRITISH CASUALTIES.

General Buller's Report of Losses in the Fighting of February 24.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 24.—The War Office to day received from General Buller a list of casualties, resulting from the fighting of February 22nd, as follows:

Killed—Lieutenant, the Hon. R. C. Cathcart, son of Lord Cathcart, of the Rifle Brigade; Lieutenant S. Coe and Parker, of the Lancashire regiment. Wounded—Fourteen officers, including Major General Wynne and Col. Harris, of the East Surreys.

General Buller concludes: "Owing to the continuous fighting it is impossible at present to give the number of men killed or wounded."

John V. L. Pruyn, New York, chairman of the American committee to aid the wounded of both belligerents within the Boer lines, has received the following cablegram from Howard C. Hillegras, a member of the committee now at Durban, South Africa: "Medicines and instruments, procurable at Durban, are urgently needed. Suggest cabling me money immediately."

Frank B. Davis, of North Carolina, has been appointed a second lieutenant in the army, to rank from February 1, 1900.

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2 pairs Overalls, at 48c	.40
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1 Boy's Hat	.24
1 Ladies' Trimmed Hat	.89
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